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## UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

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TO: Interested Parties -- Commercial Availability Reviews

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SUBJECT: Commercial Availability Review on Apparel of Certain Yarn-Dyed  
Twill-Woven Flannel Fabrics (Investigation No. 332-465-011)

The U.S. International Trade Commission has initiated a review to provide advice concerning a petition filed under the "commercial availability" provisions of the Andean Trade Promotion and Drug Eradication Act (ATPDEA). The petition covers certain 2 x 2 twill woven flannel fabrics classified under subheading 5208.43.00 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). The subject flannel fabrics weigh not more than 200 grams per square meter, are napped on both sides, and are made of ring spun, yarn-dyed, 100-percent cotton yarns. According to the petition, the subject fabrics will be imported into an ATPDEA beneficiary country for the manufacture of shirts, trousers, nightwear, robes, dressing gowns, and woven underwear.

The petition was filed by Oxford Industries, Atlanta, GA, and received by the Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA) on November 18, 2005. The petition alleges that the subject flannel fabrics cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner.

The Commission will conduct the review and provide advice under its investigation No. 332-465, *Commercial Availability of Apparel Inputs (2005): Effect of Providing Preferential Treatment to Apparel Imported from Sub-Saharan African, Caribbean Basin, and Andean Countries*, instituted at the request of the United States Trade Representative (USTR). The advice concerns the probable economic effect on U.S. producers, workers, and consumers of granting duty-free and quota-free treatment to apparel made in eligible countries from the specified yarn, regardless of the source of the yarn, should CITA determine that the yarn cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. The Commission will submit its advice to USTR in a classified report by January 9, 2006, and issue a public version of it soon thereafter.

The Commission invites interested parties to submit written statements (original and 3

copies) concerning issues to be addressed by the Commission in this review by December 16, 2005. Information on procedures for submitting written statements to the Commission can be found in its notice of investigation, which was published in the *Federal Register* of January 26, 2005 (70 F.R. 3728) and posted on its website at [http://www.usitc.gov/secretary/fed\\_reg\\_notices/332/332\\_465\\_institution01242005sgl.pdf](http://www.usitc.gov/secretary/fed_reg_notices/332/332_465_institution01242005sgl.pdf).

Further information on this review can be obtained from Jeff Clark (202-205-3318); [jeffrey.clark@usitc.gov](mailto:jeffrey.clark@usitc.gov). Information on the commercial availability investigation of the Commission can be obtained from its Program Managers (see above) and from its website at [http://www.usitc.gov/ind\\_econ\\_ana/research\\_ana/pres\\_cong/332/short\\_supply/shortsupplystat.htm](http://www.usitc.gov/ind_econ_ana/research_ana/pres_cong/332/short_supply/shortsupplystat.htm). Information on commercial availability requests is also available from the U.S. Department of Commerce, which chairs CITA, on the website of its Office of Textiles and Apparel at <http://otexa.ita.doc.gov/CA.htm>.